



St. Paul's Senior Homes & Services

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St. Paul's Retirement Homes Foundation Reaches its Capital Campaign Goal of \$5 Million: St. Paul's PACE set to open February 1, 2008

SAN DIEGO, California – January 9, 2008 – St. Paul's Retirement Homes Foundation announced that it surpassed its \$5 million capital campaign goal. The purpose of the campaign is to raise underwriting funds for purchasing a clinic site and renovating it, as well as the first year operations expenses for St. Paul's PACE (Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly), a new program in San Diego that provides healthcare to low-income, frail seniors. Large grants from several prominent foundations and a personal gift in recent weeks brought the campaign to a close.

Noted philanthropist Frances White recently made a gift of \$100,000. "It's wonderful that Mrs. White could play such an important role at the close of our campaign," said Pat Ford, Chairman of the Board for St. Paul's Pace. "The Hamilton White Foundation contributed the first gift we received during the start of our campaign. It gave us the inspiration to keep moving forward when all we had was a vision."

Mr. Ford and Mrs. White recently toured the renovated clinic and she liked what she saw. "I was so impressed during the tour. Look at how much they were able to accomplish with that first seed grant from the Foundation. I felt moved to support the program personally," noted Mrs. White. "I thought about how important this program will be in helping seniors remain living in their homes. I hope to see this program grow into other areas in San Diego."

The 11,800 sq. ft. clinic is located in the San Diego metropolitan area at 111 Elm Street. St. Paul's PACE provides frail seniors with a comprehensive range of health care services in one location. Participants will also receive in-home services. The program has already begun enrolling participants and services start February 1.

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After more than eight years of hard work obtaining a PACE license from the state, St. Paul's PACE held a grand opening on December 7, 2007. Mayor Jerry Sanders presided over the ribbon-cutting ceremony and the unveiling of the building's new name, *The Desdemona Reasner Pavilion*. The building name honors the mother and past St. Paul's resident of long-time supporter Kaye Woltman and her husband, Richard.

"This was such a special moment for me. My mother was a nurse who dedicated her life to caring for others, much like the care that will be provided at this clinic. We are very proud to support St. Paul's PACE as a tribute to an outstanding mother and healthcare professional," said Mrs. Woltman at the dedication.

With the PACE model of care, seniors won't have to worry about rising health-care costs forcing them to choose between medicine and food, or worse, forcing them from their homes. "This program is a solution to the health and social services crisis facing low-income seniors who must balance their food-and-shelter needs with the increasing costs of medicine and medical care," said Alan Allgood, Executive Director of St. Paul's PACE.

St. Paul's is excited to work with such prominent organizations as the Archstone Foundation in bringing St. Paul's PACE to San Diego. "The Archstone Foundation is pleased to partner with St. Paul's PACE," said Joseph F. Prevratil, President and CEO of the Archstone Foundation. "The program offers elders living in the community a medical home that is accessible and client-centered. As our society ages, we need healthcare models like PACE to strengthen the medical safety net for older adults."

Other granting agencies and individuals that have contributed significantly towards the final phase of the campaign include:

Organizations

The Archstone Foundation
The Alliance Healthcare Foundation
California Wellness
Weingart-Price
Las Patronas
Parker Foundation
Masserini-French Trust

Individuals

Richard and Kaye Woltman
Frances White
Laury Graves
Susan Hayes
Michael and Nancy Kaehr
Cary and Suzy Mack

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St. Paul's Retirement Homes Foundation supports the programs and communities of St. Paul's Senior Homes & Services. We offer *Independent*, *Assisted Living*, and *Skilled Nursing* communities, as well as an innovative *Intergenerational Day Program*. Since opening our doors in 1960, St. Paul's remains an innovator in the San Diego community with a reputation of exceptional care.